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Pour informations supplémentaires et les demandes d'inscription s'adresser au Secrétaire Général du Comité d'Organisation, Dr F. da Cruz Sobral, Avenida da Liberdade 90-1º, Lisbonne 2, Portugal, ou Prof. G. A. Canaperia, Secrétaire Général de l'UIPVT, Via Salaria 237, Roma, Italie. Les langues officielles de l'assemblée seront l'anglais et le français.

## BOOK REVIEWS

**Textbook of Venereal Diseases and Treponematoses.**  
By R. R. WILLCOX. 2nd ed. 1964. Pp. 492; illustrated.  
Heinemann, London. (70s.)

The first edition of Dr Willcox's textbook, published in 1950, had an unusually broad outlook and was well received. This second edition has been brought entirely up to date and its global approach has been augmented still further; it fully justifies the publisher's claim on the dust-jacket that it is intended particularly for postgraduate students, practitioners, consultants, those engaged in public health, and others who work overseas in civilian governmental or military service or in the missionary field. The orthodox teaching reflects the author's wide clinical experience and detailed knowledge of the subject and its literature. The short historical introductions are pleasing and the wide contacts which venereology enjoys with other specialties clearly emerge.

The book comprises three main sections: the first deals with gonococcal and non-gonococcal conditions in men, women, and children; the second describes acquired and congenital infection with syphilis and the non-venereal treponematoses; and the third includes the other venereal infections and those varied conditions met with in the VD clinic, together with chapters on penicillin, reactions to penicillin, and a very full account of antibiotics other than penicillin. In addition, the third section includes an account of chemotherapeutic drugs other than antibiotics, a useful discussion of VD control measures, and a final chapter describes the technical details of the diagnostic and minor surgical procedures involved in the management of venereal conditions and their complications. The text makes easy reading and is generously illustrated with 7 colour plates, 185 figures (mostly black and white clinical photographs), and several tables. The format is pleasing and the index is full, but a few minor typographical errors have escaped the proof-reading.

Dr Willcox is widely known through his many travels and publications and this second edition of

his textbook is sure of a global welcome. It is recommended to all who are concerned with the diagnosis and management of venereal infections and the treponematoses throughout the world. S.M.L.

**Medical Clinics of North America. Syphilis and Other Venereal Diseases.** 1964. Vol. 48, No. 3.  
W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia and London. (21s.)

This well-produced and generously illustrated volume is largely composed of papers read at a Symposium on Syphilis held at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in May, 1963; some additional articles on gonorrhoea and other venereal and non-venereal conditions have also been included. The Symposium and this book specifically honour Dr R. H. Kampmeier, who graced the teaching staff of the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine between 1936 and 1963. Many venereologists read and were impressed by his *Essentials of Syphilology* which was published in 1943, but apart from his outstanding work in the Syphilis Clinic, he has had a distinguished career as an internist, professor of medicine, author, and editor. The volume covers the latest account of American concern and thought about all aspects of VD and, at the request of the United States Public Health Service, the publishers have agreed to make this volume available to interested physicians who are not subscribers to the *Medical Clinics* series. It is highly recommended and should prove of interest and value far beyond the USA. S.M.L.

### International Subject Bibliographies No. 5

An addition to Maxwell's International Subject Bibliographies—a second edition of an international bibliography for 1961–64, on *Dermatology, Venereology, and Physiology of the Skin*—has been issued jointly by the Documentation and Supply Centre and the Documentation and Procurement Center. It may be supplied free of charge to interested readers of this Journal upon request to Maxwell and Co. Ltd, Oxford.